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Gulf bureau emergency coverage plan and  
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GULF BUREAU EMERGENCY PLAN

In event of interruption of Gulf Bureau operations and subject to changes depending on the situation at the time:

1. NICOSIA Bureau would take (Class A coverage underlined):

a. Persian: Clandestine Radio Iran and Free Voice of Iran, and Moscow 1400 Sat-Sun (TA takes over later casts); assist LD with Tehran, and possible feed (along with SA, TA) of Tehran to LD--part Class A; and Baku International.

Arabic: Tehran IRNA (LD covers English).

Armenian: Yerevan radio (subject to summer reception problems), Yerevan papers from London, and Beirut papers as available.

Russian: Try Tehran.

b. Personnel shift of two Arabic/Armenian monitors, one Persian monitor.

c. Equipment needed: None.

2. JORDAN Bureau would take:

a. Arabic: Aden, San'a' and Muscat radios as reception permits, Aden ANA, Manama WAKH, try Riyadh TV--part Class A; and Doha, Tehran International, and Clandestine Voice of Iraqi Islamic Revolution.

English: Manama WAKH, Aden ANA--part Class A.

b. Personnel shift of four Arabic monitors, one Arabic/Kurdish monitor, deputy chief, one editor, staff technician, and boardman/driver. Two teletypists would be needed on TDY.

c. Equipment needed: Some commo equipment.

3. LONDON/PMU/BBC would take:

a. Persian: Tehran morning programs (try Islamabad, TA, or NC feeds; NC backstop)--part Class A; And Clandestine Voice of Islamic Revolution to Afghanistan (Dari), Dushanbe, Tashkent, and Mashhad -- all via Islamabad line, as capacity and Islamabad staffing permit.

English: Tehran IRNA--Class A. (Existing LD coverage should suffice)

Arabic: Riyadh radio, Riyadh SPA -- part Class A; and TV via satellite from Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, or UAE, as situation warrants.

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Russian: Soviet regionals via Islamabad line--most Sat-Sun; try Tehran Russian via Islamabad line. Russian and vernacular regionals subject to further checking of reception and coordination with BBC.

Other: Baku in Azeri; plus (via Islamabad line) Ashkabad in Turkmen, and Tashkent in Uighur, Uzbek.

MFU: Tehran Persian and Oman Arabic papers--part Class A; and other Gulf and Saudi papers in Arabic and English, with assistance from NC, NEAAD to be arranged.

b. Personnel shift of two Arabic/Russian monitors, one Turkish/Uighur/Azeri/Uzbek/Turkmen monitor, three Persian monitors, one editor.

c. Equipment needed: None.

4. TEL AVIV Bureau would take:

a. Persian: Moscow 1600-1800 (relieving NC and GF), and possible feed (along with NC, SA) of Tehran to London--part Class A; and record Baku and Baghdad Azeri for feed to LD.

b. Personnel shift of one Persian monitor . TA could provide one editor, one teletypist to NC or LD to assist with added workload (but not to JN).

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5. BANGKOK Bureau would take:

a. Pakistani English and Urdu papers--most Class A; and Kabul English.

b. Personnel shift of one Farsi/Urdu monitor.

6. LOSSES would include: Baghdad 1130 (JN covers other Baghdad casts), and parts of Tehran IRNA English, Aden, and San'a'--Class A; and some Iranian regionals; Tehran radio relays of Majlis sessions and capability to provide open watch backstop for BBC without affecting Islamabad line coverage; Clandestine Voice of al-Ahvaz Revolution; Tehran TV; Kurdish from Tehran, Baghdad, Yerevan, and five clandestines; Baghdad Azeri; Jidda; and possibly Tehran Russian.

7. ALTERNATIVES and uncertainties: Bureau chief and possibly admin assistant would go to London or Nicosia, to be determined. Bureaus receiving Gulf personnel will have to assess their host government attitudes toward admitting TCN's for indefinite period and kind of documentation required. In event of partial evacuation the bureau chief, deputy, staff technician, two Persian monitors, and two Arabic monitors would stay behind. Presumably some teletype help would remain.

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8. Vulnerability of COMMUNICATIONS AND ELECTRIC POWER: Primary circuit via landline to embassy to satellite. Altroute A: Telex through local PTT. Altroute B: Material handcarried to local USN unit--for prolonged outages only; not suitable for FYIs and coordination messages.

Generator within bureau building; Embassy has separate generator.

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Gulf Bureau Production Statistics

| <u>Month</u> | <u>1985</u>      | <u>1984</u> |
|--------------|------------------|-------------|
| January      | 210,840          | 361,430     |
| February     | 253,540          | 369,170     |
| March        | 307,770          | 365,160     |
| April        | 289,990          | 356,640     |
| May          | 342,270          | 325,430     |
| June         | 273,060          | 275,570     |
| July         | 313,900          | 239,690     |
| August       | 273,810          | 243,650     |
| September    | 242,310          | 209,100     |
| October      | 315,330          | 356,420     |
| November     | 300,010          | 349,520     |
| December     | Not in Files Yet | 384,980     |